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### **Council President Peters Works to Reduce Negative Impacts of New Power Line**

SAN DIEGO -- Today Council President Scott Peters pledged to continue working with SDG&E to reduce negative impacts of the proposed Sunrise Powerlink, which will cross through parts of the First District.

SDG&E announced its proposed route for the project this morning after several months of public input. The route will use existing easements in Rancho Peñasquitos and Torrey Hills, in addition to land in Scripps Ranch, Ramona and Anza-Borrego Desert State Park.

Peters learned of the project last year, and began working at the state and local level to ensure that community input was considered. For months, Peters has encouraged the utility to underground sections of the line in San Diego as a way to reduce negative impacts on the community. SDG&E announced today that they would underground parts of the line that run through Peñasquitos.

“I appreciate SDG&E’s efforts to listen to the community and find creative ways to mitigate potential problems,” said Peters. “I encourage them to continue working with residents as we enter the next phase of development.”

The Sunrise Powerlink will extend from the Imperial Valley to northwestern San Diego, and will deliver 1,000 megawatts of electricity to the region by 2010. 1,000 megawatts is enough to power 650,000 homes.

SDG&E will hold a series of community meetings in the next two weeks, all of which are open to the public. The schedule of meetings is on the SDG&E website, [www.sdge.com/sunrisepowerlink](http://www.sdge.com/sunrisepowerlink).

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